

2008 BIKE-A-THON COMMITTEE

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The American Cancer Society is the nationwide community-based voluntary health organization dedicated to eliminating cancer as a major health problem by preventing cancer, saving lives and diminishing suffering from cancer through research, education, advocacy and service.

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American Cancer Society Bike-a-thon Awards Dinner October 23, 2008



ON SUNDAY, JULY 13, 2008

- **The Bike-a-thon netted \$1,532,536**
- **Teams = 164**
- **Total riders = 4,314**
- **Team members = 3,307**
- **Teams = 164**
- **Individual riders = 1,007**
- **Registered Century riders = 476**
- **Volunteers = 399**
- **Survivors = 223**
- **Safety Riders = 253**

MASTERS OF CEREMONY

Gail Kasper

Gail Kasper is an internationally renowned Professional Speaker, author, in-demand television personality, and the reigning Ms. Cont'l. America. Ranked in the top 12% in the country as a Professional Speaker, according to National Speaker Association statistics, Gail has served as a Contributing Editor to the national magazine, Success, and is the co-author, along with Stephen Covey and Brian Tracy, of the book [Mission Possible 10](#) and author of the audio CD programs [Make a Decision to Win](#) and [Likeable You](#). Earning the ranks of an in-demand television personality, Gail has made numerous appearances on NBC, ABC, FOX, CW11, CBS where she was the former co-host of the Emmy award-winning America's TVJobNetwork, and Comcast CN8 where she hosted the "Ask Gail" segment. She is also the current Host of The [Philadelphia Visitors Channel](#), a member of the National Speakers Association and a member of the International Association of Coaching.

Gail has also been chosen as an outstanding woman of 2008, awarded the distinguished honor of Woman of the Year, based on her accomplishments and contributions to society by the ABI International Board of Review which represents over 6000 panelists in over 75 countries. Along with her nationally recognized Speaking and Training programs, her "Ask Gail" life strategy coaching techniques have provided solutions to individuals across the country on even the most challenging personal and professional etiquette dilemmas. Her step-by-step formulas have motivated individuals to take action and achieve excellence in their lives.

PROGRAM

6:00 - 6:45

Cocktails

6:45 - 8:30

Dinner &
Awards Presentation

JEFFREY ABRAMOWITZ, BIKE-A-THON Co-CHAIR (2006, 2007, 2008)

Jeff has been instrumental in moving the Bike-a-thon forward. Under his leadership, the Bike-a-thon netted over \$5 million for the fight against cancer. Working closely with Jeff has been an amazing experience. He truly is a "man of many talents". Not only is he an excellent leader, he is also a great supporter. Jeff is always there when you need help with a problem, or to simply bounce ideas around. He has kept us grounded and united as a team, even at times when we strongly disagreed about something. Jeff's passion and vision for this event are extraordinary and contagious. It has been amazing to work with him and watch as our goals became reality. It has truly been an honor to work with Jeff these last three years, and we thank him for all of the time and effort he put into making this event a success.

Sincerely, Bike-a-thon Committee & Staff



**BRETT LEVY MEMORIAL
VOLUNTEER AWARD**

Brett Levy (presented to Karen Levy)

Three years ago, we realized we had a huge need for motorcycle support and organization. A request for help was sent out and Brett stepped forward. He said he would do his best, but wasn't sure how successful he would be. Since then, he somehow managed to triple the number of motorcycle volunteers involved in the event. Brett didn't stop there. He went even farther, making sure that each volunteer was trained in motorcycle safety and more. Brett never asked for recognition and he never said, "Look what I did." He simply attended each meeting with a smile, was always there to encourage and was always willing to do whatever was needed. Over the years, Brett became not only a partner in our fight against cancer, but also a friend. We hope that Brett knew how much he was appreciated and loved. He is the type of volunteer, and friend, we should all strive to be. He will be sorely missed!



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2008 T-Shirt Design

Congratulations to our winning student artist Josh Leach. Josh is a Junior at the Hussian School of Art in Center City. Josh's design was on all 2008 cyclist and volunteer t-shirts and on the commemorative century route patch.

Josh and his family came down to the endpoint to see what Bike-a-thon is all about. Josh was overwhelmed seeing his design on so many shirts and his mom Deb was so proud of her son.



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MILTON BRAVERMAN YOUTH AWARD

Hunter Smith

Hunter was a normal baby boy. He was very active. He loved to run and jump over everything. Over the Labor Day weekend in September of 2004 when Hunter was 19 months, his parents took him to the playground after dinner. While climbing up some monkey-bars he fell and hit his stomach. He cried a lot, but his parents didn't think anything of it. In the early morning hours, Hunter woke up screaming again. His parents took him to one hospital that performed a CAT scan. They were told that they were not equipt to handle Hunter's illness so he was transferred to St. Christopher's Hospital. There, his parents were told of Hunter's condition. He had a tumor on his kidney the size of a small Nerf football and when he fell it had partially ruptured. The doctor explained that it was a Wilm's tumor. Later that week Hunter had his ailing kidney and adrenal gland removed. He endured 6 months of chemotherapy. Through it all he always had a bright little twinkle in his eye. Now, he is just over 4 years from that fortuitous fall and Hunter is doing wonderfully. He loves playing baseball and swimming. This year he also started kindergarten.



MELVIN BOONE AWARD

Steven Schiff

Steve lost his father to cancer many years ago and he has been working on eliminating the pain and suffering of cancer patients and their loved ones. Steve has been riding in the Bike-a-thon for about 23 years and for the past 14 years he has, at his own expense, flown in from Dallas, TX to participate in this event. Steve is very dedicated to this ride and has ridden for many people who have lost their battle to this terrible disease.

Steve has also lost friends to this awful disease: Greg Wittke and Tom White. This past Bike-a-thon, Steve wore Greg's and Tom's name on his shirt. It was evident that Steve rode as hard as he could and with passion for all of the Gregs and Toms of the world. The hope is that some day rides such as the Bike-a-thon won't be necessary because people like the Steve Schiff's of the world have shared in the same dedication, perseverance, courage and unwavering spirit that Melvin Boone displayed in order to help fund a cure for cancer.



SPECIAL AWARDS

Fundraising Rookie of the Year

Bryan Mason

Highest Per Capita Team

Pay It Forward



TOP 20 INDIVIDUALS

Will Walker	\$34,883.93
Darren Check	\$26,600.00
Robert Braverman	\$16,023.00
William Turchin	\$15,730.00
Jeffrey Abramowitz	\$14,811.00
Anthony Spica	\$14,340.00
Michael Smukler	\$13,961.00
Bryan Mason	\$12,716.00
Marty Mellman	\$12,109.00
Harry Roth	\$11,670.00
Matt Crowe	\$10,390.00
Grace McLaughlin	\$ 10,210.00
Randy Weinstock	\$8,756.00
Diane Schwartz	\$8,596.00
Jane Frankel	\$8,157.00
Tom Dilsheimer	\$ 8,068.00
Sandy McLaughlin	\$6,490.00
Carl Kopfinger	\$6,400.00
Marshall Stomel	\$6,138.00
John Furey	\$6,035.00

TOP TEAMS

DIAMOND LEVEL \$100,000+	
Dilsheimer Communities	\$204,456.01
Lockheed Martin	\$199,551.94
Philadelphia Bar Association	\$111,039.25
IKON	\$101,526.00
PLATINUM LEVEL \$50,000 - \$99,999	
KPMG	\$50,386.50
GOLD LEVEL \$30,000 - \$49,999	
Team Steve	\$ 47,072.59
Main Line Health	\$45,226.00
Mad Dan's Pedalers	\$39,098.00
H.E.R.O. (Harrah's Employees Reaching Out)	\$37,570.32
Hajoca Riders	\$33,435.00
PHH Mortgage	\$32,609.25
American Water	\$30,137.00
SILVER LEVEL \$15,000 - \$29,999	
Team Forman	\$24,763.78
Spirit of Joy	\$24,194.50
Auxilium Pharmaceuticals	\$23,081.00
Dynamic Rehabilitation Services	\$20,245.50
AstraZeneca	\$19,442.50
Grant Thornton	\$18,635.00
Verizon	\$17,841.50
Sunoco Winners	\$17,380.00
Team Dorman	\$17,006.50
Wheeling for Wellness	\$16,282.50
Innovative Print & Media Group	\$16,245.13
BRONZE LEVEL \$10,000 - \$14,999	
Ashley	\$14,820.18
Merck & Co.	\$13,110.00
Asphalt Hearts	\$12,133.50
BILL'S BIKERS	\$12,000.00
Campbell Soup	\$11,710.00
Team WMMR	\$10,174.19